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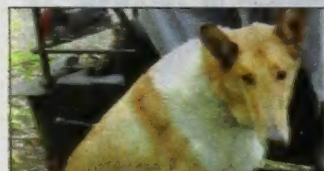
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"Remember, we're pouring the life blood of our trees onto our breakfasts. That's what it all boils down to."

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New committee will be formed to co-ordinate Minden proposal

by **SHERYL LOUCKS**
Times Staff

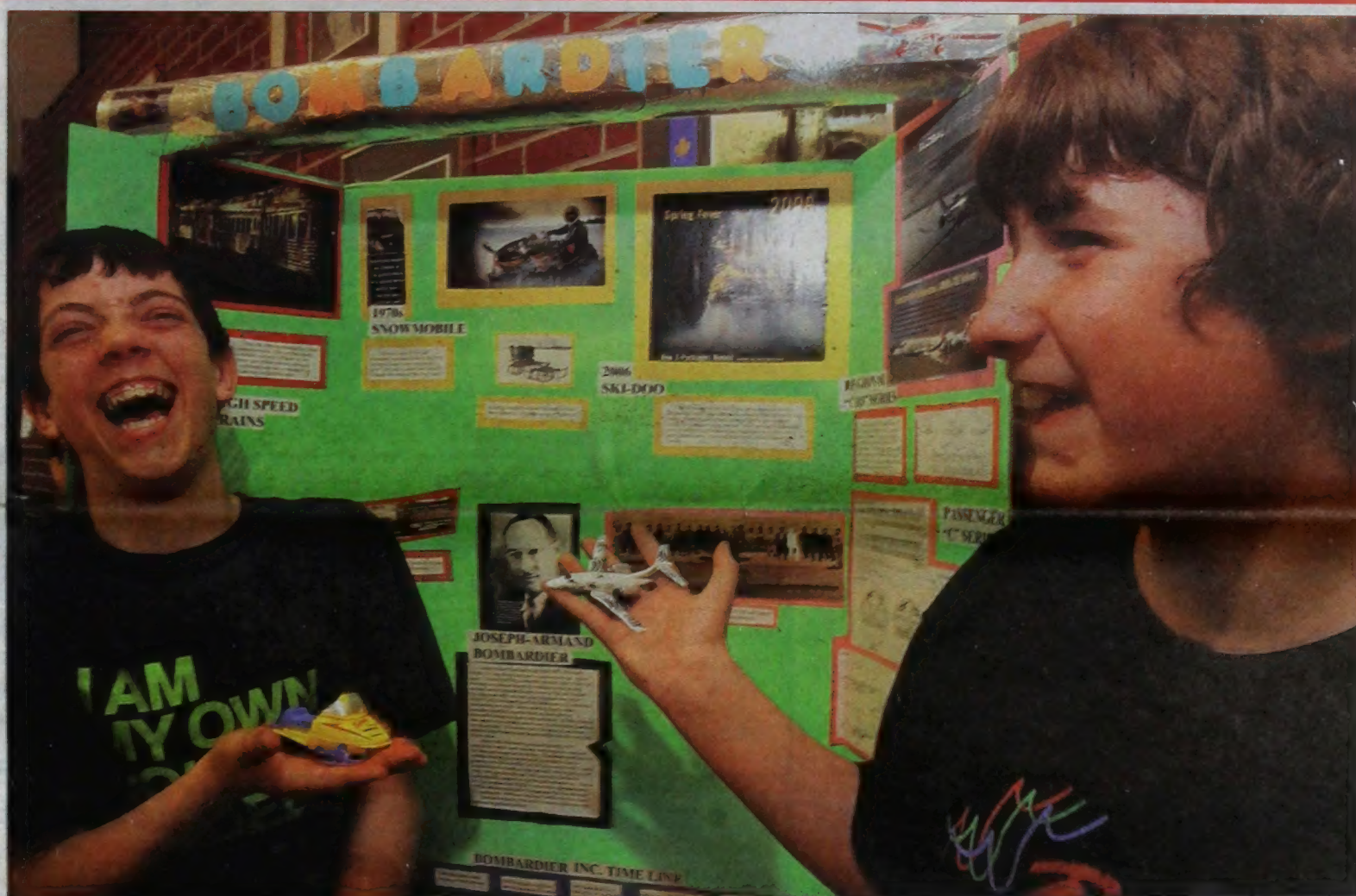
A new committee is being formed to co-ordinate an affordable seniors housing project in Minden as the result of a public meeting earlier this week.

At least 90 people wedged themselves into the Minden Legion on Monday night to listen to Barry Butler describe his dream of building affordable seniors housing in the village. Butler has been a resident of Carnarvon since 1988 and is familiar with the shortage of

seniors housing in Haliburton County. He has made it his personal project to do something about it.

Butler has been knocking on doors for the last few years trying to raise political support

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Who says history is boring?

Archie Stouffer Elementary School's Grade 7 students Warren George and Tim Litwin were laughing proud of their Bombardier project during the school's first Canadian History Fair. There were 240 students, from Grades 5 - 8, who showcased more than 100 projects exhibiting historically significant Canadians and global contributions. Projects were judged on understanding, number and variety of sources, clarity of the project's message, format (that includes creativity and topic significance). Two projects per grade will be chosen to represent the school at the Lindsay Historical Fair scheduled later this spring.

Medical records' high cost sickens orphaned patients

by **MARTHA PERKINS**
Times Staff

As a survivor of a quintuple heart bypass, Geoffrey Green's medical file is as clogged as his arteries used to be.

But last week he had trouble

keeping his heart from going into over-drive when he and his wife Marjorie found out that he'd have to pay to get access to those records now that his doctor, Jaan Roos, has retired.

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Lochlin quarry applicant defends esker proposal

by **SHERYL LOUCKS**
Times Staff

Two controversial zoning applications for quarries along the Lochlin esker were denied by Minden Hills council on March 24 despite a request by the applicants

to do more studies.

Joe Graham and Richard Stuckless have adjoining properties. They wish to work together on an existing aggregate operation on Graham's property in the for-

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Plant delay caused late delivery of Times' rural routes

The Times would like to apologize to its rural route subscribers who got last week's paper very late because of the Easter holiday.

The paper was sent to the printing plant in Bracebridge on Wednesday afternoon but delays at the plant meant that the paper was not ready until mid-morning on Thursday. The late arrival did not give us the time to get the papers to the post office in time for delivery that day. Because the post office was closed for the Easter weekend, the rural route subscribers did not get their papers until Tuesday.

Printing *The Times* every week is a huge undertaking and cannot be done in Haliburton County. We did all that we could to accommodate the holiday weekend and regret that many of our readers were inconvenienced by the late delivery.

Darren Lum/TIMES



Discovering history

Minden Hills Reeve Ross Rigney reads the obituary for Agnes Jamieson, who died in Florida. The Agnes Jamieson Gallery showed off its new addition with its first exhibition: *Change: Then, Now, There* from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., on Saturday, March 26. Through the use of photos and articles the exhibition showed elements of the area over the last 100 years, including landmarks and the gallery itself. More than 50 people attended the season's first exhibition that leaves many participants questioning the area's future.

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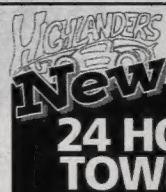
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Fish poop adds up at fish hatchery

by MARTHA PERKINS
Times staff

You might not realize this, but fish poop a lot. And when you have thousands of fish in one place, that's a lot of poop.

Rather than flush all that "effluent" into the creek that runs beside the fish hatchery in Haliburton, the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association has entered into an intriguing partnership with Fleming College in Lindsay.

The college's Centre for Alternative Wastewater Treatment will design a constructed wetland to filter all that fish poop and make it benign, and the HHOA volunteers will build the wetland next to the hatchery.

The outdoors association has applied for Trillium Foundation funding to help pay for it all.

This was one of the many projects on display at the recent Celebration of Research for the U-Links program.

Two groups of students at Trent University are helping with the innovative project that will demonstrate that nature has a way of cleaning up after itself.

One group identified the public policy stumbling blocks that make it hard for such projects to get approval from the province and municipalities. Another group is writing a lesson plan for the science teachers at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School who will use the wetland as an outdoor classroom.

Dr. Brent Wootton is the link between Fleming, Trent and Haliburton County. After getting his doctorate in fish biology, the Gooderham resident began teaching at both Fleming and Trent. He saw U-Links as the perfect opportunity to advance our knowledge of natural solutions for our waste problems.

Another project was to study ozone lev-

els in the area. It turns out that while there's smog in Haliburton County in May, we are less likely to have to suffer through it during June, July and August, thanks to our many maple forests. The trees act as filter for the ozone.

The report reads, "The higher concentration of ozone in May is most likely reflective of the increased transport of the polluted air prior to the development of the forest canopy to the south."

"Therefore, we could expect the air quality in urban areas would be positively affected by the presence of increased forest covers."

Other U-Links projects on display included a history of Ontario Hydro's presence in Minden, the history of the James Cooper Trail in Stanhope, art on trails and how to construct the boardwalk in front of the Haliburton hospital.

With U-Links, community organizations come up with research ideas which are posted on a university website. Students can then go through the list of projects and choose one they are interested in pursuing. The research then counts as one of their credits.

"Service learning promotes leadership, encourages responsibility toward societal issues and gives education a purpose beyond that of accumulating knowledge," Wootton said in his opening comments at the public open house at the new Fleming campus in Haliburton. "Service learning also benefits the community by providing access to university resources and allows communities to benefit from work that might otherwise not be done."

Kate Hall, the U-Links co-ordinator, was proud to present a compilation of past research papers to the county's library system. This allows the community easy access to the students' work.



Philip and Jackie Cordiner of Paradise Lake, standing, get help finding their cottage by Tony Bonnici, who is building a GIS system for the county while 'Mieke Foster learns more about the opportunities that the computer technology presents. (Photo, Martha Perkins.)

\$150 for medical records 'a bargain,' man told

But record storage company says it's better than alternative of losing them

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"I'm just so incensed about this," says Marjorie Ludlow-Green, who was told that she could get copies of her husband's medical records from a storage service for the "bargain" price of \$150.

"It's bad enough that we're losing a doctor but to have to pay that money to go to another doctor..."

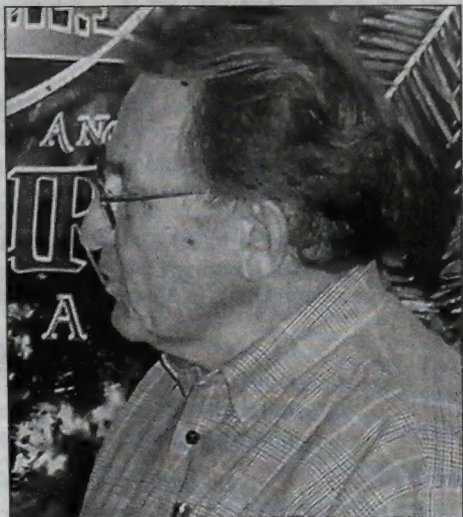
When Dr. Roos retired at the end of January, he gave his records to Record Storage and Retrieval Services in Toronto for safekeeping. If patients want copies of those records to give to their new doctor, they must pay a fee based on how extensive those records are.

"Apparently our medical records are not considered our own," Ludlow-Green says. "We don't have ownership over our own records? That's just not right. That offends me. You should be able to put your hands on your own records."

"Why weren't patients informed of this prior to the transfer so they could pick their records up," asks another patient, Lyn Winans, "and why was no permission needed for this transfer of records?"

She suspects that instead of paying for copies of their records, many patients will opt for getting their tests re-done, at a huge cost to the healthcare system.

Elan Eisen has heard these complaints before. As vice-president and a co-



Dr. Jaan Roos recently retired.

founder of Record Storage and Retrieval Services (RSRS) he fields many phone calls from journalists asking questions on behalf of disgruntled patients.

He is very sympathetic with their plight and says that in the nine years the company has been operating, no patient has been denied copies of their medical records for financial reasons.

However, although his company is private, the fees it charges are in accordance to guidelines set out by the Ontario Medical Association and College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario.

These fees are similar to those most doctors charge if patients want copies of their records.

"We as custodians for the doctors abide by these fees," Eisen says.

If the administrative work required to share the records was covered by OHIP, and if more doctors could find a replacement when they retired, these problems wouldn't exist, he says.

"I wish one day that the Ministry of Health would step in and start making a better deal for the doctors and cover things like this through OHIP. But OHIP is a stressed system so it's not a simple issue."

Despite the complaints about the costs of getting copies of records, he warns that the alternatives can be worse. What if Dr. Roos decided to store the records in his basement? How would patients get access to them then?

Legally, the records belong to the doctor but the patient is entitled to the information they contain. A doctor must keep the original records for at least 10 years. If sued for malpractice, only the originals can be used in court.

"Most doctors have about 1,500 patients on active roster," Eisen says. "For a doctor to summarize or photocopy every file, it would take an incredible amount of time and effort."

In cases where another doctor takes over the practice, the storage of records is not much of an issue. (Eisen says the days of doctors being able to sell their practices to other doctors are all but gone. They're lucky to find someone to give the practice to.)

Eisen says patients should try to be more of their own record-keepers, keeping track of doctor's visits and test results. "Patients have to take a lot more responsibility for their own care and well being," he says.

But Marjorie Ludlow-Green remains unconvinced. "To me it just doesn't make any sense," she says.

What particularly frustrates her is that for years they tried to follow Eisen's advice and get copies of Geoffrey's records as they went along. "Doctors won't part with them," she says.

In part this is because the records may contain personal observations that the doctor doesn't want the patient to see. But whatever the reason, she still questions the conventional wisdom that the records belong to the doctor, not the patient.

If Dr. Roos's patients have questions about their medical records, Eisen says they should call RSRS toll-free at 1-888-563-3732.

Council turns down esker proposal

Voting otherwise would be 'political suicide,' councillor says

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mer township of Snowdon, between County Road 1 and Lake Kashagawigamog. They need their lands to be rezoned for aggregate extraction in order to do that. They asked council to delay a decision on their respective rezoning applications until they can do environmental studies to address council's concerns expressed at a public meeting on March 17 of the Minden Hills committee of the whole.

That meeting attracted a full house, and 19 individuals, representing themselves or groups, officially recorded their opposition to the applications. After the meeting two more letters of opposition were received from lake associations.

Opposition is based mainly on environmental concern for the wetlands and watershed surrounding the Lochlin esker. Graham returned to council last week with a letter from Miller Aggregates, currently operating the quarry on his property. It was dated two days after the public meeting and addresses some of those concerns.

The Miller letter is signed by Alex Brooks, general manager for the Haliburton region. Graham read the letter to council.

One of the concerns was about the aggregate washing process. The letter says not all manufactured stone and sand products require washing but, if washing is done, the Ministry of the Environment monitors the process. The company takes water from the closest source, usually ground water, and sediment ponds are used for waste water. No chemicals are used in the process, they say.

Another concern was about aggregate

being extracted locally for markets outside the county. Graham says the intention is to provide the "local municipal and private contractor market with high quality products ... at competitive prices." The letter says having a quarry located "in the heart of the county" reduces transportation costs for taxpayers for "higher end items currently imported from pits and quarries outside the immediate area."

Graham says the goal is to employ local people and service the Haliburton market.

Blasting and crushing were two other concerns. The letter, says Austin Powder, a company established in 1833, will be used and they have an excellent track record with Miller "in terms of accountability, performance, damage and safety." The company says their blasts are within safe limits and crushing is "barely audible." The company plans on four to six weeks of crushing in the spring or fall.

Graham told council he was unprepared for the opposition at the last meeting because there was no opposition the previous year to the rezoning that opened his current pit. Reeve Ross Rigney told him, "I would have anticipated all reactions."

Councillor Cheryl Murdoch told Graham that she did not think further studies or a second public meeting would achieve anything. Councillor Peter Oyler agreed with her.

Oyler says the new Official Plan emphasizes environmental protection and fostering tourism. He says the two applications are not "desirable" activities with respect to the OP.

Councillor Ron Buchanan offered his

sympathy to Graham. He likened gravel to gold and says he wouldn't want to be told he could not mine gold on his property, either. However, Buchanan says the municipality has been "burned twice" by quarries that have not been rehabilitated and are now a blight on the landscape.

Buchanan says it is a hard decision but he has to be "for the people of Snowdon," who, he believes, oppose the application.

"I appreciate your concern," Graham replied. "A lot of people who live there didn't come to support or oppose. They weren't impressed with the paper's (Minden Times) write-up either."

Councillor Ingram Wessell, who did not attend the March 17 meeting, told Graham "you have a lot of unhappy neighbours."

"It's kind of political suicide for us politicians," says Wessell, referring to voting in favour of Graham's rezoning application.

Wessell, who works in the aggregate business, also warned Graham that environmental, noise, dust and traffic studies are expensive and are unlikely to affect the vote on the application.

Councillor Clayton Cameron added that, even if council approved the rezoning, he believed special interest groups would appeal the decision to the Ontario Municipal Board - so asking for the studies would be doing Graham an injustice.

Graham said he would like to take that risk.

In a recorded vote, council voted unanimously against the rezoning applications. Reeve Rigney was not required to vote but commented he was in favour of more studies.

County budget still in limbo; 10% increase still the target

by MARTHA PERKINS
Times staff

The county's budget for 2005 is still in limbo because the province has not yet released all of its funding figures.

Council wants to keep the budget increase to 10 per cent and, depending on provincial funds, will borrow any funding shortfall.

Still outstanding are announcements about Community Re-investment Funds, which are a major source of income, broadband technology funding, and a decision whether rural municipalities will get some of the proceeds of the provincial gas tax. (The province is giving municipalities a portion of the tax to be used for public transportation. Since there is no public transportation in Haliburton County, council wants the money to be divvied up depending on the number of kilometres of roads in each jurisdiction.)

The province has extended the budget deadline to June 30, but Treasurer Laura Janke recommended passing the budget before that, whether funding announcements have been made or not. "We can't wait until the end of June to get tax bills out."

Council is optimistic that the funding announcements will be made in time for them to pass their budget next month. If not, then they will schedule a special meeting for May.

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Bring on summer; bring on Karl's crickets

New CD's sensory experience might help relieve seasonal depression

by LANCE CROSSLEY
Times staff

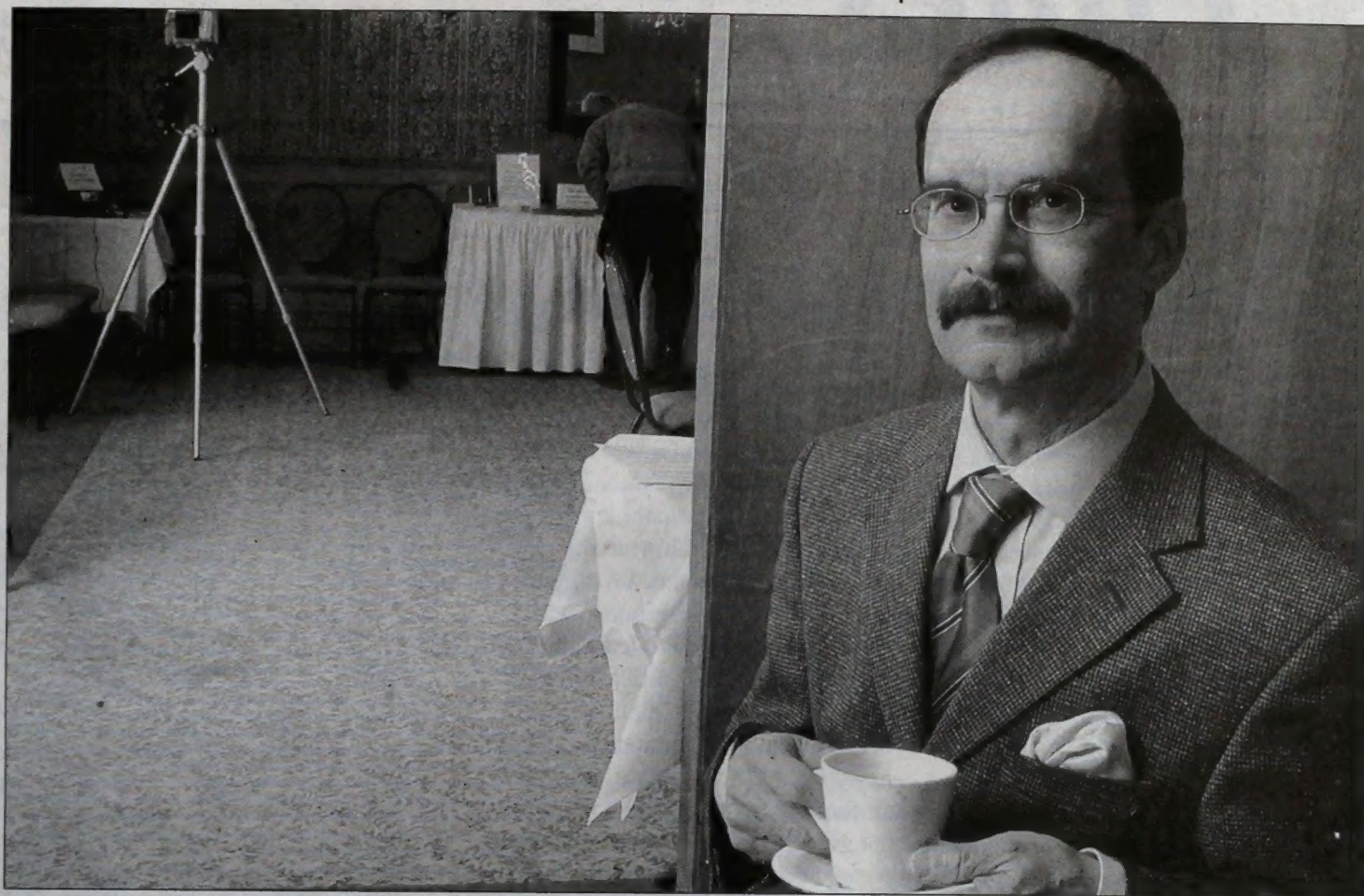
Close your eyes and imagine this: A warm summer breeze, moonlight cascading on the water, and the sublime sound of crickets rising from the dark of night like a symphony of a thousand tiny violins.

That's the kind of sensory experience that Karl Hamilton is hoping to give people with the release of his new CD *Crickets Calming*, a nature recording of various nighttime insects. The inspiration for the new CD was to help offset the drudgery of winter, particularly at this time of year as our seasonal stamina is expiring.

"Traditional treatment of SAD — Seasonally Affected Depression — syndrome has been either bright light treatment or just to get outside in daylight," says Hamilton, who lives just north of Minden. "But I think there is more to it than just lack of light. There's sensory deprivation in terms of lack of audio variations. It's very quiet in wintertime. The snow that we have acts like a sound absorbent."

Hamilton studied music at York University in the 1970s, specializing in electronic compositions. At the time, electronic music was in its primitive stages but still managed to make a big impact on young music student. Hamilton even attributes his future love of nature sounds to his post-secondary beginnings.

"Electronic music at that time was just blips and bleeps," says Hamilton. "It consisted of stuff that was atonal, which means that it didn't conform to a scale. It was also atempo, which means it didn't conform to a tempo or beat. When you start expressing yourself in those terms, nature seems to be more musical."



Karl Hamilton hopes to bring some early summer cheer with the release of his nature recording *Crickets Calming*. (Photo, Lance Crossley.)

Crickets Calming was recorded over several summers using an omni-directional microphone to enhance its realism. Hamilton believes his techniques are so effective that even after numerous listenings, one is still able to hear something new. A testament to the popularity of the recordings is Hamilton's website (www.naturesounds.ca), which receives 125 visits a day and more than 6,000 free downloads a month.

And it's not only people wishing to

escape the grasp of winter who buy his CDs. Hamilton says his recordings are also prime material to meditate by.

"The amazing thing about this type of

nighttime noise is that there is a rhythm, but also a certain type of randomness. The mind has to kind of hold that type of randomness and is occupied by it."



NOTICE

The ninth annual meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Corporation will be held on Thursday, June 23, 2005 at 3:00 p.m. in the Auditorium of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services, Minden.

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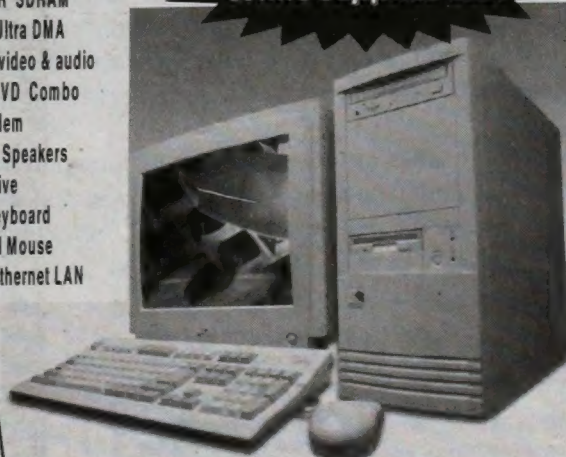
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You can't just build it

A SENIORS HOUSING DREAM was presented in Minden on Monday night but the community is going to have to wake up to make it happen. Several people at the meeting voiced their frustration at Giffels Design Build representatives Barry Butler and Sean Craig for being big teasers. The two men presented drawings of beautiful buildings with everything that a senior could wish for – healthcare, a pool, even roof-top gardens and all within walking distance of not only the downtown but Tim Hortons! Butler made the bait all the more sweeter by promising affordable rents/prices. The general response was Woohoo, when can we move in? The audience was disappointed to learn the community is going to have to finance the project first and until a significant pool of money, \$1.5 million, is invested Giffels cannot set a construction date.

Butler, who gave birth to this dream, is trying to excite the community and get people moving on this project. He has recognized what the majority of citizens have failed to see, that the days of government funding for strictly seniors housing projects are over and private developers are not going to build affordable housing when there is a huge market, particularly in cottage country, for more profitable housing. None of the three levels of government have the capital or the interest in building housing. Local MP Barry Devolin says the different government levels are struggling now to cobble together capital cost dollars for enormous infrastructure costs associated with roads, bridges, water and sewer systems, and landfills. The largest public outcry is not for investment in housing but for cash infusions into healthcare and education, the insatiable public coffer gobblers of this century.

Devolin is one of Butler's biggest supporters because he says low interest rates make this an ideal time for a community group to form a non-profit corporation and build seniors housing. He says the federal government is leaning towards helping seniors by providing rent supplements but rental units need to be built first. Devolin shares Butler's fears and those clearly expressed by people in the community that there is no place in Haliburton County for seniors to go once they are unable to maintain their homes.

We need to carve out a place for seniors in our community for moral and economic reasons. Every single person in Minden should reach into their pocket and fish out a few dollars for this project because seniors have paid for everything we have through their hard work and tax dollars. We have a responsibility to see to it that our elders are cared for with dignity. The other side of the coin is seniors are a more reliable industry than tourism.

Jim McMahon, Minden Hills deputy-reeve and County Warden, says Butler's got "one hell of a dream" that would put Minden on the map for seniors. What he means, and what Devolin has also mentioned, is that seniors have spending power, some more than others, and we should be tapping into it. Even seniors who are not wealthy and need affordable housing still need health services, amongst other types of services, which the government will pay for. That translates into good paying jobs in the community with an economic spin-off of their own.

When the Minden Legion tried in the past to start a seniors housing project they were basing it on the then new idea of lease for life concept that people were hesitant to support. Other developers have tried throughout the county to get time-share-based housing built. Condominiums have also failed. Private developers are not interested in the long wait for rental units to pay back huge capital investments. The only choice left if the community wants to see affordable housing is to invest and wait themselves for a slow return. They just might find that around the time that return is coming in they might want one of those rental units for themselves.

As Butler says this proposal lets the community set their own rules for how this development will be designed and later operated. People should keep in mind that you get what you pay for and if you pay for nothing, then nothing will happen, leaving you to wave goodbye to Grandma.

Sheryl Loucks

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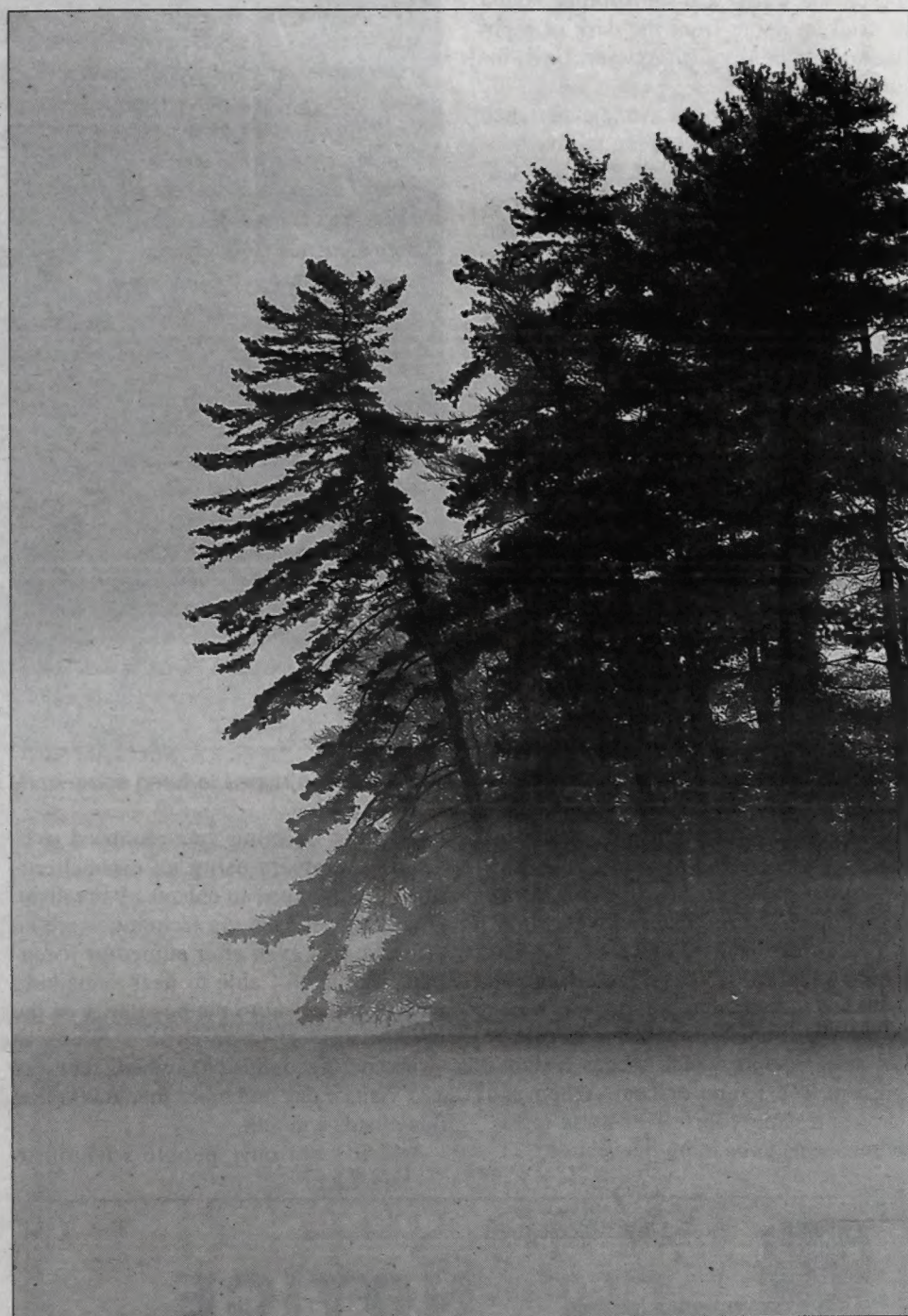
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Frosty spring morning

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TO THE EDITOR

Times readers write

In defence of Steve Galea

To the Editor:

I think I have the point of Pegi Evers' letter of March 18. Steve Galea made a joke about goldfish; therefore, he is responsible for "the genocide of indigenous creatures, the slaughter of wildlife species, the plunder of irreplaceable natural resources and the destruction of nature all over the planet".

Not only that, it seems the Times does not meet her standards of intelligence for local journalism. Please, ease up!

Steve is a humorist. Having read Steve's writings in various outdoor magazines, and having met him in person, I can assure you he is conservationist and is concerned about nature, animals and the planet in general.

I hate to break it to Ms. Evers but hunting and fishing are popular pursuits in rural Ontario. But a taste for wild game does not preclude an appreciation for nature or concern for our planet. An attitude to the contrary is typical of animal rights fanatics. Their view is the only view. It's all or nothing.

I'm glad that at least Ms. Evers' cat agrees with her. I tried staring at a goldfish in a bowl, but found it got very boring very quickly. Perhaps such a pastime requires herbal appeasement for the mind.

I've also never mastered the art of communicating with cats. But I can assure you I care very deeply about the planet!

Ted Smith
Mississauga/Minden

See more letters to the editor on page 8

IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

Easy on the syrup

IT'S MAPLE SYRUP TIME in central Ontario. Most of us welcome this as a sign of spring, a milestone on the road to wildflowers, songbirds and warmer weather. We think, what could be more innocent than a tapped tree dripping with sweet sap?

A lot of things, according to Jack Phlappe.

Phlappe is the founder and spiritual leader of the Society Against Pancakes and Syrup. But don't let the silly name fool you; his organization is one of the fastest growing, most radical, and active environmental groups in North America. Its avowed goal is to stop us from eating pancakes, which they hope will, in turn, topple the lucrative maple syrup industry. They view that industry as the first domino in a long line of environmental and animal rights causes.

I had the unique opportunity to interview Phlappe at his sixteenth-of-an-acre "tree preserve", just a stone's throw from *Times* columnist Neil Campbell's Sapsucker Ridge. We spoke as we walked among his "herd" and played tambourines.

"There's no need to bore cruel holes in these wonderful creatures," he begins solemnly, as he hugs a scrawny maple that he affectionately refers to as Twiggy. "It's barbaric. Are we no better than the woodpeckers? Must we act like Asian long-horned beetles?"

I consider the questions as he wipes a tear from his eye and sips a tea made from naturally fermented dirt. It'd be easy to laugh, if not for the fact that he is dead serious. The militant arm of his group has already earned a reputation for ruthlessness after allegedly sabotaging several menus in a Toronto-area Golden Griddle with indelible marker. Similar attacks in the U.S. have prompted the International House of Pancakes chain to hire armed security at their all-you-can-eat buffet.

When asked about this though, Phlappe distances his group from the incidents.

"We're not radical," he says smugly, as we enter his yurt. "Our Spiles for Smiles program is a big hit and seeks win-win solutions."

Similar to the successful "Hats for Hides" program used by hunters, Smiles for Spiles encourages maple syrup producers to turn in their spiles.

"Syrup is bad for your teeth anyhow," Phlappe insists. "So we have decided that for every hundred spiles you turn in, we'll give you an electric toothbrush and enough gummy bears to plug the wounds in the trees. Not only do they (gummy bears) deteriorate as

the wound heals, but they also contain much-needed sugar for the recovering tree..."



BEYOND35

Steve Galea

cause."

"But what is so politically incorrect about pancakes?" I ask, perhaps naively.

He throws a steely-eyed look my way, drops the tambourine, and suddenly I see a different, more determined man. "Think about it. Pancake batter? Fat Tuesday? Even the terminology is immoral and insensitive. Have you never heard of the new paradigm? Do you know what this sort of language leads to?"

I shudder.

"Fortunately, several good things happen when you stop eating pan-

Phlappe says that this innovative program is now administered by participating dentist offices throughout the county.

While the exploitation of maple trees might seem inconsequential when compared to larger environmental issues such as goldfish rights, to Phlappe and more than 2,000 "hard-core" followers, it is not.

Their recent campaign against eating pancakes highlights what they call "the universality of the

cakes," he continues, regaining some of his former charm. "First you don't need the buttermilk, so you don't have to exploit a buttercow. And since that also means we'll use less flour, we can stop wasting our precious prairie grasslands for wheat production, thereby allowing it to regress to its native state. We believe this will eventually lead to the buffalo's return, the rise of the native culture, and the eventual displacement of all non-indigenous peoples from North America. But those are long-term goals. For now we're just trying to save the trees."

For more information, Phlappe suggests attending the Society Against Pancakes and Syrup's first Haliburton County candlelight vigil on April 1st at 4 p.m.. The gathering is to be held at a yet to be determined woodlot.

"Actually, we call it a candlelight vigil but after last August's near disaster, we'd prefer it if you just bring flashlights."

He says new members are welcome and donations of money and gummy bears are encouraged.

"Remember, we're pouring the life blood of our trees onto our breakfasts," he says sadly. "That's what it all boils down to."

For more information on the vigil or the Smiles for Spiles program visit www.SAPS.com. Phlappe says he is also listed in the phone book.

Who said dogs couldn't write?

IT HASN'T BEEN EASY writing this column, but my master asked me to do it because, he said, he was so busy making maple syrup he couldn't think straight.

What is your excuse the rest of the year, I would have asked him, except that if he ever found out I can talk, he'd expect me to do it all of the time.

At first I balked at writing a column that would appear on a day that is a religious holiday for Smooth Collies. Only a Fool would ask a dog to work on April 1, but Martha Perkins told me I could write it in advance.

My master, who you know as Neil Campbell, usually occupies this space with his exaggerations and lies, but I told him I would fill in for him if he could get the *Times* to run my picture with the column. There's nothing like a little celebrity to get a dog more dates!

Humans have a lot of misconceptions about dogs. There's the talking thing for example; all of us can talk but most of us are waiting until we have something worthwhile to say, which rules out politics as a career for us.

Most humans think dogs aren't very smart. My master read somewhere that a mature dog has the intelligence of a human three-year-old. To that I say woof!

Even mature humans are so dumb; it makes me sad just to watch Neil stumbling about. Most of them don't know anything until somebody tells them

about it.

I take Neil for a long morning walk (he thinks it's the other way around) and it takes me only a few nose-tilting sniffs to figure out everything that has happened in the neighbourhood since I went to bed the night before.

Take a patch of yellow snow on a January morning. I can stick my nose in there for a few moments and know everything worth knowing about whatever did the yellowing - not just its species and gender, but a full biography. With an index.

That yellow snow is like a post office for dogs and I always leave mail

for whoever comes next. To Neil, it's only yellow snow and he's too dumb to ever stick his nose in there and learn something.

Humans can be rude; they make jokes about dog's breath for example. To them I say woof! Did you ever smell a human's breath after he's been eating celery and drinking white wine? It's enough to make your eyes water; I often have to turn my head away if Neil starts breathing in my direction.

Mind you, there are things a human can do that I can't, or don't care to. In the winter, Neil makes himself swell up all over before he goes outside and

then he pulls off his feet when he comes back indoors.

But he is so clumsy! When he's all swollen up for winter, Neil thinks he is running but you'd fall down laughing if you watched him. What he needs is more dignity. I have to slow down from a brisk walk to let him keep up; sometimes I jump up and grab him by the arm just to urge him along.



BACK OF BEYOND

The Brown Dog Jiggs

The one thing we agree on is that we both like human females better than human males. Trouble is, they like me better than they like Neil and he's always been kind of bitter about that.

Sometimes he makes me ride into town in a big, wheeled contraption he calls a truck. When we get into metropolitan Minden, I will sit up in the back seat to look around and some human female will see me and get this big goofy grin on her face and wave and Neil will think the smile and the wave are for him.

When we go to the *Times* so he can type in his column, the human females will make a great fuss over me and I will bow my collie bow and wag my tail and then leap up and put my paws all over them and I can see by the light in Neil's eyes that he wishes they

would let him do that, too.

I was flattered that Neil suggested I write this column for him; he might as easily have asked one of the other dogs living at our house to fill in for him.

Oh, I know Neil pretends that I am the only dog living out on Sapsucker Ridge. Neil keeps it a secret, but just between you and me we have a whole bunch of really small dogs living with us, too.

I've never seen them for myself because Neil keeps them locked up in a box that sits on a table beside our bedroom door. The box has a big window on one side of it.

Sometimes Neil will sit and stare at the box for hours at a time and suddenly the little dogs will see him through the window and start barking, probably asking to be let out to stretch their legs, though so far as I can see, the box has no door.

They've been waiting a long time for their walk. When I hear them barking, I'll come out and try to look through the window into the box, but I've never been able to see anything.

I've sat and stared at the box myself when Neil is out, but the little dogs pay me no attention. They never bark for me.

I feel snubbed. To them I say woof!

(Neil Campbell's column will return next week.)

Family Choices: Be Aware or Beware

by RUTH MCKNIGHT
Special to The Times

Life is a journey of choices down our path
To survive you need to be a scholar in math

Maybe a Lawyer, Doctor, with a lot of wisdom, which we lack

To help us understand our decisions and keep us on track.

We toil, sweat and rest, rest, sweat and toil

Eat of our harvest, we planted in our soil.

A career of choice, raising a family is a treasure on this earth

Time will reveal each lesson taught and learned from birth.

As we grow up, mature, take on character, there are choices

We must make daily, along with that we hear many voices

To help guide us or deceive us and lead us astray

Down life's road pointing us in the right or wrong way.

Beware or be aware of family wishes, to follow or divide

You may stand alone on family issues, no one by your side.

The family, a treasure within your heart, gone the family ties

But they say, you reap what you sow, some truth, some lies.

Communication is number 1, speak it all through your life

It will bring unity, harmony and outdo any strife.

Don't let any wrong conquer what you know is right

Keep focused on values, you will be a shining light.

I was a prayer warrior, studied God's word, hid it in my heart

But I never realized just how far my family could drift apart.

When evil controls us, not stopped, it creates great pain

No matter the cost, to obtain selfish gain.

Be aware or beware, lest you fall into this place,

Expressions will speak volumes across your face.

Where did I go wrong, upon my bed was kneeling

Can you understand my lonely, forsaken feeling?

I thought I knew what was best for my family

The choices I made, I will give account in eternity.

Remember, you reap what you sow, rewards will be given

What we do in this life will be revealed in Heaven.

When we come to our journey's end, at whatever age

Keep a pure heart, forgive, make peace without any rage.

You don't know where you will be at the close of a day

In your own home or some place strange whatever they say.

I have years of experience, I needed more wisdom for sure

To communicate, forgive, admit mistakes, keep your faith secure.

Because when we cross over that great divide

We will welcome each other, all differences aside.

Quote: "It isn't important what you do for yourself, because that will die with you. But what you do for others will live on afterward."

Martha Perkins/TIMES



Imagine what it's like to always be on guard, knowing that you could be lunch for the next wolf or road kill for the next car.

You think you're stressed...

by ROSS JARVIS
Special to The Times

I've noticed lately that every deer that I see, whether on the side of the highway, or poking around my back yard in the middle of the night, all have the same very worried look on its face. It must be genetic. The frown. The big ears constantly flopping this way and that, like radar. The head swinging almost 360 degrees investigating every noise. It must be murder on the digestive system. First of all they're eating cedar, which has got to be hard to digest on a good day, let alone with a nervous stomach.

Of course, they don't realize hunting season is over, so they don't have to worry about men with guns anymore. They also haven't evolved to the point that they can recognize a Ford 150 from a Honda Civic, only to the extent that both look like trouble, especially at night.

Imagine what a Pontiac Firebird looks and sounds like, thundering along Scenic Highway 35, to a deer who inadvertently finds himself in the passing lane at about 2:00 a.m. It's not a pretty sight even for people, let alone something that sits at the lower end of the food chain. Which, of course, is the real reason deer wear a perennial worried look

They know they're lunch for just about every critter in the neighborhood. They can run like...well, like a deer, but they can't out-run a pack of wolves. They're fast, but a hungry bear will eventually catch up with them. And as for a Pontiac Firebird, well who knows which way to turn when one of these shows up.

How would you like to wake up each day (or night) with the pressures of a deer, trying to grab a meal, raise the kids, and keep the old 8-pointer happy.

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All the right moves

The Archie Stouffer Elementary School's chess team (above) captured sixth place at the Trillium Lakelands District School Board Chess Championship held in Haliburton at the Royal Canadian Legion and the Dysart et al Arena on Wednesday, March 23. Competing against the event's largest field that included 300 competitors in Grades 1-8 from 17 schools, ASES finished only 14 points behind top-finisher J. D. Hodgson Elementary School. ASES sent more than 40 students to the annual event. Team coaches are Michelle Coneysbeare, Lauri Marks - O'Sullivan and Mike Darlington. Event organizers would like to thank Legion Branch #129 in Haliburton for support of the tournament. At right, ASES Grade 6 student Katie Findeis contemplates her next move after losing another piece to Lady Mackenzie Public School's (near Kirkfield) Andrew Thornington. Andrew won the game.

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The event is jointly organized by the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit and Health for Life.

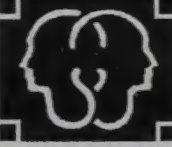


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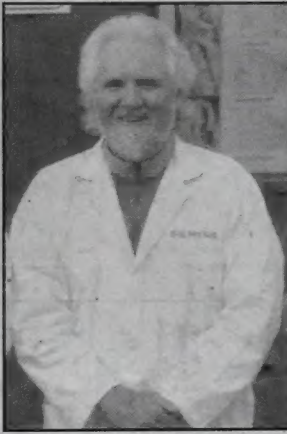
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Storm gets caught in Tillsonburg twister

by LARRY MACPHEE
Times staff

Tillsonburg Tornadoes 8 Highland Storm 0

On Saturday March 26, the G. J. Burtch Construction Highland Storm Midget AE took to the road to play their third game of the All-Ontario OMHA finals against the Tillsonburg Tornadoes.

The first eleven minutes were the highlight of the game with no goals scored for either team. The remaining four minutes, however, gave the Tornadoes a 4-0 lead at the end of the first.

The second and third periods were dominated by the Tillsonburg Tornadoes with the game ending with a 8-0 victory for Tillsonburg.

There were 52 shots on the Highland Storm net to 20 shots on the Tillsonburg Tornadoes net.

The Highland Storm Midget AE was presented with a finalist plaque by the OMHA regional executive member, Bill Leask.

The team members are: Max Ambridge, Mackie Campbell, Matt Clements, J.D. Crowe, Adam DeCarlo, Joe Gallagher, Gavin Hicks, Devin Hunter, Billy Kulas, Joel MacPhee, Kenton McGann, Tim Pettit,

Zach Pierson, Patrick Prevost, Kody Smith, Josh Townsend, Adam Trueman, Tyler Watson, Kenton Winn.

Well done Highland Storm Midget AE. A special note of thanks to the coaching staff,



Ginnie Foulds chases a Sabres' player from the corner in the third period during the fifth game of the Tri-County League Final series. The game ended 2 - 2 due to league rules prohibiting overtime. Despite the series being a best-of-five the series finished with a sixth game in Cannington. (Photo, Darren Lum.)

without whom none of this would have been possible: Head Coach Jim Winn, Assistant Coach/Trainer Brian Gallagher, Assistant Coach Tony DeCarlo, Trainer Gary Smith, Manager Bill Kulas and the team's sponsor, G.J. Burtch Construction.

The Highland Storm AE team began with 12 players on the team; this soon grew to 19 players. Four of these players did not play hockey the previous year and seven players were playing their first year for the Storm. The team went from January 14 through to March 19 without a single game loss. With 45 games played the first 10 games had 4.40 goals against. Over the next 30 games had 2.28 goals against, thus showing an average of two goals less per game. The team was a class act and represented the Highland Storm with honor and dignity throughout the season, and maintained this high level throughout the final games.

Hike Festival already in the works

Inspired by the success of last year's festival, the Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network is starting early to plan the 2005 Hike Haliburton Festival.

Interest is building - a local resort reports they have already received a reservation for 25 people for October 14 - 16, the dates for this year's festival. Trails and Tours is confident that participation in this year's event will exceed last year's participation level of approximately 800 people.

While much of the festival program will be offered again this year, the program committee will be incorporating a few new hikes. The committee would like to hear from anyone who would like to be a hike leader, has an idea for a unique hike, or has a special place to share with others. Please contact Karen Hoover by April 8 at the Trails and Tours office, 705-489-4049 or

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High Single HC: Chris Hill 285; Lillian Mattsson 300
High Triple: Ken Thompson 657; Jean Pugh 627
High Triple HC: Ken Thompson 687; Jean Pugh 753

Tuesday Night March 22

High Average: Ken Thompson 218; Marlene Robinson 195
High Single: Ken Thompson 254; Brenda Harding 280
High Single HC: Romano Versi 305; Brenda Harding 320
High Triple: Ken Thompson 664; Brenda Harding 643
High Triple HC: Romano Versi 760; Brenda Harding 763

Wednesday Afternoon March 23

High Average: Ken Thompson 207; Carol Snow 178
High Single: Ken Thompson 300; Jean Pugh 244
High Single HC: Vern Stout 294; Jean Pugh 283
High Triple: Ken Thompson 754; Carol Snow 642
High Triple HC: Vern Stout 738; Carol Snow 756

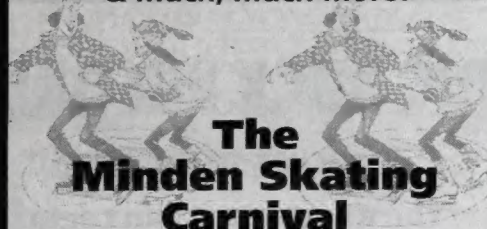
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Haliburton County puts out the welcome mat

by MARTHA PERKINS
Times Staff

The following are brief reports of items discussed at a recent county council meeting.

Drivers will be given a big hello when they arrive in Haliburton County, and they'll even be told when they are going from one municipality to another.

Council agreed to spend \$30,000 on new boundary signs.

Two welcome signs will be on county roads as people enter Haliburton County. There will also be 37 municipal boundary signs, complete with population figures, and eight municipal decorative display signs.

"It has been the belief that the county needs to project a warmer, friendlier welcome to the thousands of visitors that travel annually through the county," said the county's engineering services manager Roy Haig in his report to council.

Haig says that three local sign suppliers were requested to provide a quotation for the 47 signs. Only County Sign and Display responded and it was given the contract.

Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey was the only one to vote against the motion. He later said that he didn't agree with the tendering policy and process.

Connect Haliburton

The county agreed to enter into an agreement to provide broadband technology. Other partners are Trillium Lakelands District School Board, Fleming College and W3Connex Inc. (a branch of Bell Canada.) The other partners now have to sign the agreement.

If approved by all partners, W3 Connex will engineer, furnish, install and operate a broadband network in the county.

The county's portion of the costs is about \$432,000. It is hoping to get provincial funding to help.

Council hopes that the project can be completed by next February.

County retreat

When he became warden last December, Minden Hills Deputy-Reeve Jim McMahon said one of his goals was to hold a retreat for council members and department heads. The retreat would allow them to talk about short- and long-term priorities for the rest of their term.

At Wednesday's meeting, a motion setting the date originally had only one supporter, Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison.

"It's been a long time since we've sat down and discussed the future," she said. "It's time we had a retreat to discuss strategically where we are going."

McMahon said there was no point in going ahead with the retreat unless everyone bought into it.

Dysart et al Deputy-reeve Bill Davis said the timing was wrong because the county had no idea what funding was available.

Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey's only hesitation was the original recommendation to hire an outside consultant to mediate the day-long meeting. "I don't think we have that many things that are work spending \$3,200 [for a facilitator] on."

It was agreed that Andy Campbell of the Haliburton Community Futures Development Corporation would facilitate the meeting at no cost to the county.

All county councillors voted in favour of holding the retreat at the Delta Pinestone on May 25 except Davis. "If there are issues, why do we have to go on a retreat?"

Paramedics contract

Paramedics with Haliburton County Emergency Medical Services will get an eight per cent raise for 2005 and then get an additional three per cent raise in both 2006 and 2007. The increase is to give them wage parity with paramedics in other jurisdictions.

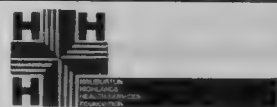
Defective signs

Hundreds of the new 911 signs are defective because the vinyl lettering or numbering is falling off. The signs are under warranty and the county fully expects the sign company to pay for their replacements. (The sign company can seek compensation for its suppliers.)

All told there have been reported problems with 398 number blades and 20 road name signs.

However, Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison warns that there will be a lot more defective signs found when cottagers return this spring. "I expect the number will triple before it's over with."

Meanwhile, putting up the remaining signs will be a priority once the snow goes.



Vacancies will soon exist on the Board of Directors of Haliburton Highlands Health Services Corp.

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This is the seniors housing proposal that caught the eye of so many people at a meeting Monday night.

Developer wants community input for new project

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for a housing project in Minden. He also convinced Giffels Design Build, the construction company from southern Ontario he works for, to take on the construction side of the project once it is finalized.

Butler wants people from the community to form a committee that will eventually become a non-profit corporation responsible for the development of the seniors housing project. Financing will have to come from the community because there are no government dollars available.

Andy Campbell, Haliburton County Development Corporation director, has agreed to provide meeting space and guidance to a new committee. Campbell says he met Butler several years ago and has worked with him on an HCDC training committee.

"I'm enthusiastic about the project but people are looking for more meat and potatoes," says Campbell.

He is referring to the questions people asked at the public meeting. Butler and Sean Craig, Giffel's project director, presented drawings of a proposed 80-unit apartment/condo building to be located on a six-acre parcel of property behind the Brown Owl restaurant. The two men talked about the building and amenities it could contain but did not have details regarding dollars beyond an estimated cost of \$10 million for the first building.

They presented drawings of two v-shaped buildings, with the open ends of the "v" facing each other with parking in the middle. The attractive three-storey buildings are being designed to blend into the landscape and would each be approximately 83,838 square feet. The proposal entails 211 parking spaces.

Phase one is to construct an 80-unit building with one and two bedroom accessible units on the upper floors to be serviced by an elevator. Each floor would have a laundry room and each apartment would be self-contained with kitchen. The ground floor would contain an indoor swimming pool with a retractable floor for hydrotherapy, non-denominational prayer room, a pay per use dining room, games room, and a 3,500 square foot medical centre for health professionals and a travelling pharmacy.

Butler says he has received positive response from various government bodies that may financially support green/energy conservation initiatives being proposed for the area and the pool. They are proposing roof top gardens for the second and third floors.

Butler suggested the operation of this building would generate six full-time jobs and 30 part-time jobs.

The Toronto Dominion Bank will be handling the financing investments with a projected investment return of eight per



Barry Butler (above, talking to one of the many people who attended last week's meeting) has a dream of building a one-of-a-kind seniors housing project in Minden. (Photo, Sheryl Loucks.)

cent. Butler has also been working with local MP Barry Devolin and has succeeded in getting the Canadian Housing and Mortgage Corporation to hold 85 per cent of the mortgage on the property. This leaves approximately \$1.5 million to be raised by local investors for the project to proceed.

Butler is looking for direction from the community on whether people want apartments or condominiums. He says the sale of condominiums would speed up the process of raising funds.

Butler says he is not proposing a rent-to-income project but does want to put a price cap on the units to make them affordable. Craig suggested the building cost is \$110 per foot but once you take in the cost of common areas the individual prices of the housing units rises. He esti-

mates it will cost \$.75 per square foot to maintain the building.

They were asked when construction might begin. Butler says that depends on how fast a community committee can raise the financing. Craig says it will take one year of construction to put up the first building, which would have radiant heating.

People were disappointed with the answer. One gentleman says he is ready to sell his home and move in tomorrow. Craig says, "you'd have to live with me for a while first."

They were asked about Giffels' experience with this type of housing. Craig says Giffels is a 60-year-old company with industrial and commercial building experience but they started a residential division five years ago. It is doing a simi-

lar project in Fergus, Ontario but he did not have comparable prices on hand.

He was asked why Giffels would not build the housing complex on a "build it and they will come" basis. "This isn't baseball," he replied. Butler added that in order to keep costs down the community needed to invest in the project to keep it affordable for seniors.

People were asked to sign three lists: one with their name and questions; one with their preference for condos or apartments; and one for the new volunteer committee.

Realtor Linda Beachli urged people to sign these lists. She says several developers have come to Haliburton County and tried without success to undertake a housing project. She also assured people that under the government's condominium act, any money invested in a project such as this must be refundable.

Beachli says she is not personally involved in this project but came to the meeting to offer her support because she understands the need for seniors housing.

Campbell reported, after the public meeting, that 10 people had signed his list. He is holding an organizational meeting this Saturday. Campbell says he will not be chairing this committee but will act as a facilitator.

Campbell already has experience with a community-driven seniors housing project. He has worked with the Dorset Housing Group on a much smaller project to redevelop the former Dorset school into seniors housing. HCDC provided the group with two \$5,000 grants to help them get the professional services they needed to move the project forward.

Jan McDonald, chair of the Dorset group, says the assistance from HCDC and its counterpart in Muskoka has been invaluable. McDonald says the Dorset group has been working for three years but they now have a design for eight units, seven will be for sale and one will be rented, and they will be moving ahead this year.

The Dorset committee now has a business plan to finance the project from multiple sources and will be able to offer to the units at reasonable prices to local seniors. A public meeting to update the community will be held on Saturday, April 23 at 1 p.m. in the Dorset Recreation Centre.

The Dorset project is just one example of a seniors housing project in Haliburton County but is the only one in recent years to succeed. In Haliburton, a proposal by Dr. Daniel Perlitz to build a seniors residential complex around a proposed medical clinic failed to win municipal support last year. In Minden, a proposal by the Minden Legion failed to get off the ground as well.

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Not enough seniors' housing, everyone agrees

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The existing Staunworth seniors complex in Minden is a non-profit corporation offering rent geared to income. It was sponsored by the former townships of Stanhope, Anson, Hindon and Minden, and Lutterworth and built with provincial government dollars in two phases. Staunworth came to Minden Hills within the last year to discuss a third building phase but nothing concrete has come forward yet.

The other recent seniors housing project in Minden is the private Highland Gate Community being developed on the former Windover Farm near the hospital. That development is being done by Don Wilson Construction in Lindsay and is being sold by Coldwell Banker Wiley Real Estate.

The development has two phases. The first is the construction of three homes, 14 semi-detached homes and eight condominiums in a cluster unit. The former Windover farmhouse will be converted into a clubhouse in the first phase. The second phase includes 32 condos, three more homes, eight semi-detached homes, and Windover Manor. The manor will have 44 assisted living units and 28 apartments.

John Hinks, who is managing sales for Highland Gate, says a



From left, Barry Butler, Andy Campbell and Sean Craig pose with the project plan. (Photo, Sheryl Loucks.)

model home was constructed on site last year but sales so far have been slow. He attended Butler's public meeting and says his sense from the meeting is that people are anxious for units to be built. He says he needs to sell 50 per cent of the first phase of Highland Gate before construction can begin.

"People are reserving spaces in the condominiums and single detached homes. I am trying to speed up construction on the cluster condos," he says.

MP Devolin says the sooner more housing is built the better. He recently raised the issue of a need for seniors housing with Joe Fontana, federal minister

responsible for housing. He says the debate has been whether the government should build housing or encourage the private sector to build and Fontana is leaning towards the latter.

"There is fairly wide recognition that the first is capital intensive and expensive. The government can't build fast enough. The government is encouraging non-profits to go ahead (with housing projects) by the CHMC holding the first mortgage at an attractive rate," says Devolin.

He said the days of government funding partnerships for seniors housing between the

three levels of government are over because municipalities now have far greater financial responsibilities due to provincial downloading and cannot afford housing projects. Federal monies for housing comes with strings that Ontario does not agreed with, causing a stalemate and a shortage of housing construction.

Devolin says Fontana's new direction of providing rental subsidies instead of money for new construction solves the problem in some areas but not in Haliburton, where there are no units to rent. Devolin is excited about Butler's proposal for Minden because the project

is based on local investment. He says doing a project that can carry its own capital cost is the fastest way of getting units built.

Devolin says groups such as the teacher's pension fund are looking for projects like this to invest in. He suggested people in Minden need to look at Butler's proposal as a way of generating a new industry — providing services to seniors.

"Seniors buy cars, eat in restaurants, there is a huge spin-off for everyone.

"Nature has blessed us with beauty, we just need to make the other pieces fit to attract and retain seniors here," says Devolin.

YWCA finds a temporary home during renovation

Women's Resource Centre will be moving to former Lutterworth Township office

The YWCA Women's Resource Centre has found a place to call home while its own facility is being renovated.

On April 4, the centre will be moving to the former Lutterworth Township office at 11445 Highway 35 south of Minden. It hopes to be open to the public by April 11.

The move is to accommodate the changes being made to its offices in Minden.

The YWCA recently purchased the property owned by the Minden Lions

Club. The former medical centre is being joined to the Lions clubhouse and changes include the creation of a safe space for women.

The renovations should be completed by July.

"This is the first step to expanding our existing counselling, crisis intervention, transitional support and wellbeing programs for women," says the centre's supervisor, Linda Reade.

"This is a huge step forward towards completing the second phase of HERS

(Haliburton Emergency Rural Safespace project.)

It has been our long-term goal to provide sustainable emergency safe accommodation in Haliburton County for women leaving abusive relationships.

Gisele Lalonde, the HERS project coordinator, says, "We are grateful to our many community partners who are helping us to fulfill our goal."

The project is being made possible with the support of the Ministry of Community and Social Services, Canada

Mortgage and Housing Corporation, Minden Hills and the Minden Lions Club, as well as local businesses, church groups and individuals throughout Haliburton County.

To learn more about the centre's services call the administration at 286-1942, the Women's Safety Network at 286-6442, Women's Counselling and Wellbeing at 286-4040 or the 24-hour crisis line at 1-800-461-7656.

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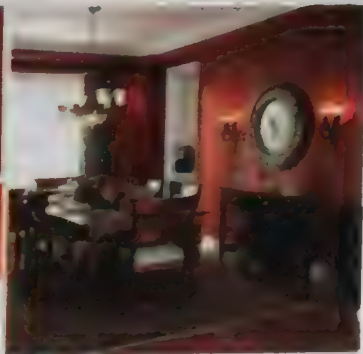
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I have long given up purchasing those glossy country magazines with their pictures of sterile rooms filled with carefully arranged antiques and collectibles. Feelings of envy finally gave way to reality - rarely were small children or large shedding dogs part of the scenery. While antiques with family ties remain dear somehow everything is put in better perspective when vising to the old farmhouse kitchen look at the brass plate secured to Grandma's primitive jam cupboard. It reads, "On this site in 1897 nothing happened." Another personal favourite is the small framed spool sampler hanging in the vestibule which declares "Edith-Anne did this in 1848 and hated every stitch." Laughter really can be the best medicine.

Mark your calendars now for the very popular Dinner Auction sponsored by the Kinmount Committee for Planning and Economic Development coming up on Saturday, April 30 at the Galway Hall. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with time for viewing the great variety of auction items prior to dinner. Call 488-2687 or 488-2635 soon for ticket information. Tickets go quickly.

Gail Leach-Wunker [286-2225] sends along a reminder that the Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group will hold its next regular meeting on Wednesday, April 13 upstairs at the Minden Legion. Doors open at 6 p.m. with Marjorie Ludlow Green, local author, editor and educator, speaking at 7 p.m. There is no charge and everyone

is most welcome to attend.

Visitors to the Kinmount Artisans Marketplace over Easter weekend included descendants of one Icelandic family who arrived here back in 1874. Eager to learn more about this settlement these relatives were most interested in the "Ice Fest" celebration planned by the Icelandic Canadian Club of Toronto for Saturday, July 16th which will include the start of a journey from Kinmount to Gimli, Manitoba by riders on Icelandic horses. Watch for more details.

Now for the Scoring News with your usual reminder to keep busy and well. They go together.

March 22 euchre at Gelert: For the ladies Theresa Deak was high and Gala Newell low with Ted Wilkins high man and Rick McElwain low. Don Hicks held the most lone hands and it was Gala Newell winning the draw.

March 23 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: Playing the Howell system in first were Margo Davidson and Ross Fletcher with 69%, Jacqueline and Kelly Metcalf second at 53% and Muriel McIntosh partnered with Stella McMillan third at 51%.

March 23 bid euchre at Stanhope: Eight moonshots showered down on Muriel Harrington, Pat Scadden, Helen Henderson, Sharon Evans, Chris Clarke, Lottie Ruttan, Trudy Kroes and Kevin Maloney. Verna McDonald led the pinks at 291 followed by Jean Scadden 281 and Pearl Cowen 271. Len Kroes topped the white cards at 290 then Rob Evans 263 and Pat Scadden 240.

March 23 Kinmount Seniors euchre at the Kinmount Legion: High/low ladies scores went to Mary Wilkins and Thelma Francis while Bob Jones and Joe Franzen recorded the men's high and low. Bob Jones also won for most lone hands and Roger Fournier took the special draw.

March 24 euchre at the Minden Legion: Lone hand honours went to Shirley Howe and Jim Bradbury with Verna McDonald and Tom Grix the high score holders. Helen Skelding and Don Hicks had the evening's lows with the other prizes going to Linda Hopkins, Helen Skelding, Don Hicks, Donald Lee and Margaret Albers.

March 25 euchre at Staunworth Court, Minden: It was Pearl Cowen winning for high hands, Albert Foster for lone hands, Elaine Yeo for low hands and Jean Ingram for the special draw.

March 25 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: Again using the Howell method Muriel McIntosh and Bruce Armstrong were first at 59% then Mayme Douglas and Norma Crewson sec-

ond at 58%. Reet Murray and Bill Sandford tied for third with Stella McMillan and Margo Davidson at 55%.

March 26 bid euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: In first was Elva Paisley at 287 then Margaret Fletcher second at 282 and Marcel Roussel third at 274. The draw winners were June Branning, Kevin Maloney and Elli Langpohl.

March 28 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at the Kinmount Legion: Roger Fournier had the high score with Emily Harvie second high. Emily also won the special draw with Alice Parker and Vic Ballik taking the moonshots.

March 28 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: Lone hand honours went to Pearl Cowen and Don Hicks with Jeanne Keliele and Lynn White recording the afternoon's highs. Low scores went to Gala Stamp and Mabel Deacon while Jeanne Keliele and Mabel Deacon won the special prizes.

March 28 euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Our reporter Elaine Yeo won for high hands, Gala Stamp for lone hands, Perry Peacock for low hands and Cecil Smith took the special prize. Elaine reminds that everyone is welcome to come along and participate.

March 28 euchre at Club 35: It was Harry Randell holding the most lone hands with the high scores ladies/men going to Helen Windsor and Verna Sawyer. Marnie Butler and Stan Dutka recorded the lows while Percy Butler won the baloney.

March 29 bid euchre at the Minden Legion: Berkie Parker led the scoring for the first time with 268 followed by Margaret Fletcher 259 and Len Kroes 247. Hidden score holders were Georgina Parks, Don Burch and Pat Scadden with Howard Smith, Maria Tschida and Rob Evans taking the moonshots.

March 29 Stanhope Firehall Seniors Social Club Mixed Shuffleboard: Top team members were Jim Meadows and Hazel Dorman with 340 then Helen Skelding and Bev Alexander next at 313. Placing third was Laura Carnegie partnered with Sandy Poulton at 291. Grace Murray and Paul Poulton recorded the afternoon's low score of 259.

March 29 contract bridge at Stanhope: Kelly Metcalf had two of the four Slams partnered with Jean Jackson and Bruce Armstrong. Helen Rice and Gloria Moore and Stella McMillan teamed with Harold Cox took the other two. Gloria Moore topped the high scoring quartet at 6320 with Margo Davidson next at 6270, Harold Cox 5840 third and Stella McMillan 5750 fourth. Bruce Armstrong won the lucky draw and Diana Spicer the Shiny Penny. For arriving "Better Late Than Never" Gloria Moore took home the "B.L.T.N." Special Award.

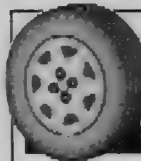
March 29 euchre at the Lochlin Community Centre: High scores were a family affair going to Don and Betty Curry. Low scores were recorded by Gerald Hicks and Mary Wilkins with Harold Harvie winning for lone hands and Verna McDonald the draw prize.



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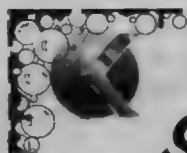
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Calling all writers in Stanhope. Janis Cole, screenwriter, filmmaker, writing professor, and story consultant, will be the guest speaker at the next meeting of the Haliburton Highland Writers' and Editors' Network on Saturday, April 16. A writing professor at the Ontario College of Art and Design and York University, Cole counts numerous awards among her achievements, including seven Gemini nominations.

Writers can propose true-life stories, and consider ideal media for turning them into works of art. Call Kay Millard at 286-6635 to reserve a spot. The presentation will be at Sir Sandford Fleming College at 1:00 p.m. Cost is \$5.

Congratulations go out to Todd and Julie Boyd of Little Hawk Marina. Julie gave birth to a daughter a week ago Tuesday. We wish the whole family well.

Bob Johnson, president of Haliburton ATV Association and Mike Burke, VP of OFATV, attended a meeting last Tuesday night to welcome a new club to the OFATV. This took place in the little hamlet of Hammond somewhere east of Ottawa. Overjoyed at their reception, Bob reported, "As we drove up to the meeting place, cars were lined up on both sides of the road. We parked about half a mile away, and walked into the hall where there was standing room only. Over 200 people were there, interested in where

they could ride their ATVs and how they could join this new club. An interesting point is, at this time, there are few trails in this area. A bylaw officer said they need-

ed this to attract tourism. They have yet to pass any kind of bylaws. However, he told me with this kind of a response, there should be no problem."

The Haliburton ATV Association is on the leading edge of ATVing, and is one of the largest OFATV clubs. "We have never seen a turnout like this," said Johnson. "We are working on educating riders and encouraging them to show support for responsible ATVing. The more support local and provincial clubs have, the more pressure can be put on the capital to make changes with regard to insurance. This sport represents the next economic boom to tourist areas such as ours and the hamlet of Hammond."

The Haliburton Society Genealogy Group will be holding its regular meeting on Wednesday, April 13 at the Minden Legion. Business and social begin at 6:00 p.m. Marjorie Ludlow Green, local author and editor, will speak at 7:00 p.m.



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The Zion United Church in Carnarvon is hosting a spaghetti supper on April 9.

It's \$10 a person. Entertainment will also be provided. Call 489-1715 or 489-2634 for tickets or get them at the door.

Registrations are being accepted for the upcoming "Red Cross / Standard First Aid + CPR C + 2 Person Upgrade Course" being offered at the Stanhope Library on Monday and Wednesday, April 4, 6, 11 and 13 from 5 to 9 p.m. For more information or to register, email drc@vianet.on.ca or call 705-754-9708.

The Haliburton Highlands Water Trails Committee will be hosting a public information forum on April 16, from 10 a.m.

to 12 p.m. at the Stanhope Community Centre. This forum will provide information and seek public comment on a proposal to develop and implement a user pay/reservation system for recreational users of the Frost Centre Area.

There's no shortage of entertainment in Stanhope. The next Open Stage at The Lounge Café is on Saturday, April 2. On Saturday, April 9 The Firehouse Restaurant will feature Sherry Hawkins and The Wise Guys. Then on Friday, April 15 at 8 p.m. Canada's legend of country music, Johnny Burke, will be gracing the stage once again at The Lounge Café. Reservations can be made and tickets are \$12.

To submit any item of interest to this regular weekly feature, please e-mail me at bpjohnson@sympatico.ca or call 705-489-3878.



Township of Minden Hills

Tender for Water Meter Installation

The Township of Minden Hills is requesting Tenders from qualified plumbing contractors for the installation of approximately four hundred (400) water meters c/w touch pad, to be installed in residential properties within the Village of Minden. The successful contractor is to provide all labour necessary to meet installation plumbing codes, and provide a complete meter installation. The Township will supply the meters c/w touch pad, back-flow preventors and pressure relief valves. The Township of Minden Hills will also entertain a "supply and install" price from qualified contractors. Tender forms will be available commencing April 4th, 2005 at the Township Office, 7 Milne St. Minden, Ontario.

Tenders must be submitted to the Township of Minden Hills, 7 Milne St., Minden, Ontario, clearly marked "Tender for Water Meter Installation" no later than 12:00 noon on Wednesday, April 27th, 2005. The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted. For further information, please contact Mr. Bob Romberg, Environmental Manager, at 705-286-1260.



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The County of Haliburton
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that the Rail Trail is open to NON-MOTORIZED users only,
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Spring is in the air... so get out and on the trail.

There is no time like the present to explore your Haliburton County
and the historical sites along the Rail Trail.

Further information regarding use of the Haliburton County Rail Trail may be
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www.haliburton.county.on.ca • www.trailsandtours.com
www.hcsa.com • www.haliburtonatv.com



GIS DEMONSTRATION

at the

County Administration Building

11 Newcastle Street, Minden

on

Tuesday, April 5th, 2005

at 5:30 pm

Plan to attend and learn more about the County of Haliburton's Geographic Information System (GIS). The Economic Diversification Committee, as part of the regular meeting, will be viewing a demonstration on the web-based GIS application currently being developed.

There will be plenty of opportunity to ask questions and consider options as to how this might eventually be used to assist in broader community and economic development. We would like your input as to how this might be of benefit to your business or organization.

For more information, please contact the County Office
at 705-286-1333

or email jtousaw@county.haliburton.on.ca or
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The Township of Minden Hills is seeking One (1) full time (Maternity Leave) position

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- The successful candidate must have a solid knowledge of clerical functions, and be able to demonstrate strong computer skills and verbal and written communication skills. A minimum of 1-year experience in a related position is preferred and experience within a Municipal setting would be an asset. Candidates with experience in Municipal Planning will be given preference.

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Position Description: A complete Position Description is available upon request.

Qualified parties are invited to submit their resumes, in confidence, to The Township of Minden Hills, P.O. Box 359, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0. Attention: Fraser MacDonald, Planning Supervisor. Facsimile: (705) 286-6005. E-mail: eburke@county.haliburton.on.ca. General inquiries may be directed to Elinor Kernohan by calling 705-286-1541. Envelope should be clearly marked as to the position being applied for and submitted by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, April 8, 2005.

We thank all applicants for applying, but only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. Personal information and supporting material is used in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Peter Pan wings his way to Pavilion

by JENNIFER PATON
Special to The Times

Everybody loves Peter Pan, and on Sunday, April 10, Dufflebag Theatre will bring the story of "Peter Pan" to life at the last Razzamataz Kids' Show of the season. The fun starts at 2 p.m.

The actors of Dufflebag Theatre bring favourite tales to life with energy and creativity. They also bring audience members up on stage to play major roles, adding a quality of improvisation to the

story. And everyone in the audience participates by shouting at Peter or growling at Captain Hook. Adult tickets are \$8, children \$5 and those under two are free. Some folks might remember Dufflebag Theatre's last trip to Haliburton, when they performed "Beauty and The Beast" at Wanakita three years ago.

Razzamataz Kids' Shows wishes to thank YMCA Wanakita, Minden Home Hardware and Building Supplies, and Patient News Publishing for their generosity in sponsoring this performance.

It's Early Bird time again – time to save money on next season's pass. An Early Bird season pass is just \$15 for four shows, for an adult or child, so you save several dollars off the price of a season pass next fall, and up to \$17 off buying tickets at the door. The 2005-2006 season includes theatre, music, puppets and juggling on unicycles while learning about science.

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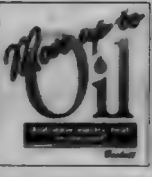
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High school students to go without food for 30 hours

by NICOLE RALLIS
HHSS Student

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What makes this fundraiser different from the rest? Not only do students collect money for World Vision, they also get to experience what so many children go through every day.

This year two students are running this event, Tristan Ellis and Chris Bryant. Both are Grade 11 Student Activity Council Reps.

When Chris was asked what motivated him to run the event he said, "I was inspired by the video that came with the famine package. It was about two families with children all under 10. The children had to work to support their parents and rest of the family yet they had to live off only one meal every three days. Also it is a charity which is considered fun, so why not run it?"

Being a participant last year in this event I got a great insight into how this is all put together. At the beginning of the normal school day (approximately 9 a.m.) all participants are asked to put away any food in their possession and a timer is set for 30 hours. A school day is only seven and a half hours long so in order for the participants to be true to the "no food" rule everyone brings their pillows and sleeping bags for an overnight stay in the gym. This is the fun part of it all.

Most of the night participants are quite hungry but they fight it by playing sports such as volley ball or watching movies. The next morning, at the end of the 30 hours, all



Students will play games throughout the night to keep their minds off their empty stomachs.

participants are fed a complimentary meal. After that long without eating the food disappears quite quickly.

To participate you must be a student of Haliburton High and bring a minimum donation of \$20. This year the goal for Hal High is to raise more than \$1,000. People of all ages can help by donating money to a registered participant or by also donating online at www.30hourfamine.org. By donating as little as \$10 you can help a child in an amazing way. With the community's and school's help there is no doubt we will raise our goal of \$1,000.

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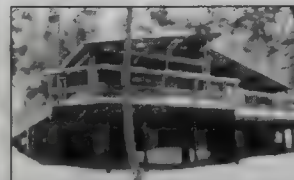
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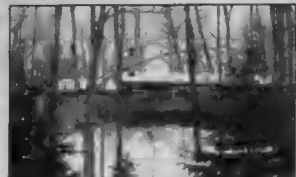
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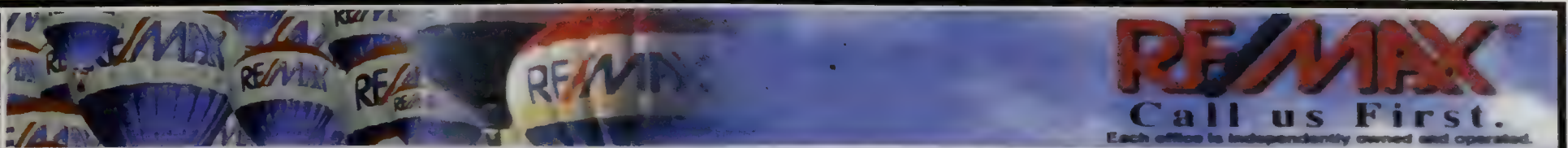
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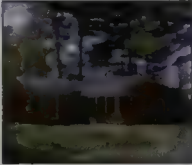
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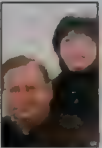
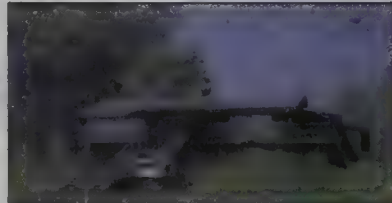


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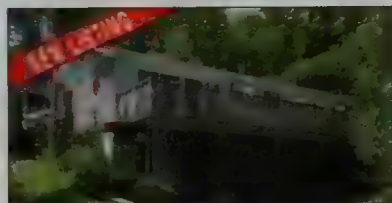


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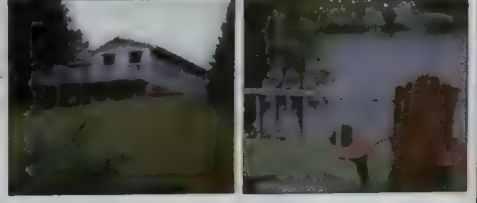


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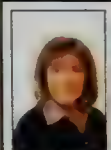
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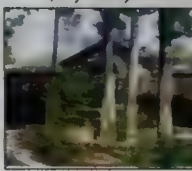


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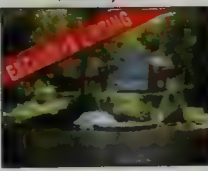
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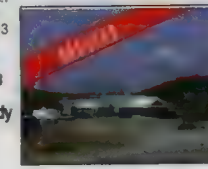
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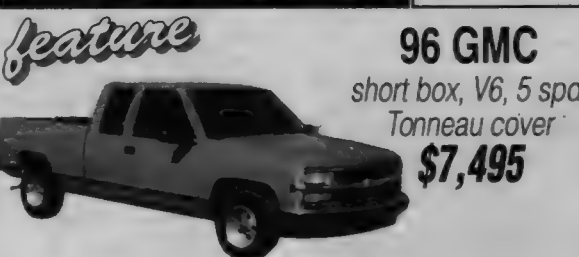
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**HALIBURTON FIGURE
SKATING CLUB**
presents
Fundraising Dance
featuring D.J.
Jamie Bacon
at the
Dysart Community Centre
Friday, April 1
8:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m.
Dance ticket includes two
complimentary carnival tickets
Light refreshments
Bar. Tickets available at Dysart
Arena, Highland Images,
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**HALIBURTON HIGHLAND
TWIRLERS SQUARE DANCE**
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at 7:30 p.m.

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All ages welcome, bring your
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286-4434 CA

HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS FIELD NATURALISTS

Join us on an
"Owl Prowl"
led by Pauline Ploard
Monday, April 11, 2005
Meet at the Haliburton Museum
at 8:00 p.m.
Dress warmly
Event will be cancelled
if it is raining
Contact Pauline
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Join us for a presentation
on the
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MINDEN & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Tuesday, April 5, 2005
7:15 p.m.
Guest speaker: Sawon from
Wild Orchid Restaurant
The topic is silk farming from
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Everyone welcome
Membership is \$6.00
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- **The Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre** invites you to come & enjoy **Creative Women's Circle**, a Centre Program that takes place Thursdays from 1-3 p.m. Call 705-748-5901.
- **The Ontario Early Years Centres** in Haliburton and Minden will now be open Saturdays from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Drop in for crafts, circle time and fun activities for children 0 - 6. Free toy and book lending library. Call 296-1770 or 457-2989 for more information.
- **Anyone interested** in or affiliated with mental health services are invited to join the Advisory Committee to Mental Health in Haliburton County. Send a letter of interest to HHMHSC, Nominating Committee, Box 539, Minden, ON K0M 2K0 or call 286-4575 for more information.
- **Tuesday Evenings:** at Camp Medeba in West Guilford, families 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. children and parents climb together, Youth and Adults 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. Drop in indoor rock climbing. Everyone welcome. Children 13 and under must be accompa-
nied by an adult. Parental permission required for youth under 18 yrs.
- **Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 636**, Minden holds its General Business Meeting on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.
- **For Women experiencing any type of abuse** call the YWCA Crisis Line at 286-6442 or (800) 461-7656.
- **Haliburton Seniors Club meet every Thursday** at noon at the Haliburton Legion, Br. 129. Sandwiches and goodies. Every 2nd Thursday is Potluck.
- **Want to get acquainted with the Internet?** Need help finding your favourite topic on-line? Book an Internet appointment at the Dorset Recreation Centre! The Community Access Program's Internet facilitator is available to assist you Tuesdays 9 - 5, Wednesdays 9 - 5 and Saturdays 10 - 4. Call (705)766-9968 or e-mail drc@vianet.on.ca and get surfin'!
- **Ontario Breast Screening Program** for women 50 years and over, screening by appointment only on Thursdays and Fridays at Ross Memorial Hospital. No doctor referral necessary. Call (705) 328-6175.
- **Did you know that Haliburton Home Support** has delicious, nutritious frozen meals available anytime right in their office in the Halco Plaza. These frozen meals can also be delivered right to your door, anywhere in Haliburton County every Thursday morning at no charge. Drop in and pick up a menu. This service is avail-
able to seniors 55+ and physically disabled adults. For info. call 457-2941.
- **April 1:** It's Back The Minden Skating Club is presenting "Movies in Minden" Come see Shrek and Friends, Austin Powers, Moulin Rouge and much, much more. The Minden Skating Carnival is coming to the Minden Arena on Friday April 1, 2005 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Come and enjoy the fun! Don't Miss it. Hope to see you there.
- **April 2:** 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Maplefest "All you can eat" Pancake/Sausage Brunch and Bake Sale, Lochlin United Church, Lochlin Road off County Road #1. The best deal in town!
- **April 4:** The Ontario Early Years Centre is offering a Family Supper Night in Minden, held at the Ontario Early Years Centre in Minden (behind Sears) from 3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Please phone the Ontario Early Years Centre at 286-1770 to regis-
ter.
- **April 7:** 12 noon, Wheels to Meals, Minden Legion, Looking for a great meal and a chance to meet new people. This group will welcome you with open arms. To book, call Myrtle Bouthorn at 754-1711.
- **April 8:** 12 noon, Wheels to Meals, Martinwood: A monthly get together at this Harcourt resort. A great way to spend your afternoon. To book, please call Eileen Knox at 448-2596.
- **April 9:** Spaghetti Night Fundraiser for Gelert Community Hall, Saturday, April 9, at 5p.m. at Kinmount Legion. Please call 286-2423 for info.
- **April 11:** The Ontario Early Years Centre is offering a Family Supper Night, held at the Ontario Early Years Centre in Minden (behind Sears) from 3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Please phone the Ontario Early Years Centre 286-1770 to register.
- **April 13:** The Ontario Early Years Centre in partnership with the HKPR Health Unit, is offering a Free Well Baby Clinic. Held at Ontario Early Years Centre in MInden (behind Sears) from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Please phone the Ontario Early Years Centre at 286-1770 to register.
- **April 13:** 10 - 12, Through Other Eyes, a two hour experiential workshop which stimulates the effects of aging so that participants can experience the problems and frustrations that seniors or people with disabilities experience in their everyday lives. Takes place at Community Care Drop in Centre. For info call 457-2941.
- **April 19:** Haliburton Highlands Prostate Cancer Support Group monthly meeting. Held the 3rd Tues of every month at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge Highland Crest Senior Citizen's Home in Minden. For info. Call Rick Ratcliff 286-6699.
- **April 20:** Big Buck Euchre - Come join us for some fun at Royal Canadian Legion Branch 441, Kinmount Ontario. Held the third Wednesday of the Month. Hope to see you soon. For info. call Alice 488-3271.
- **April 30:** The Kinmount Committee for Planning and Economic Development invites you to attend The Eleventh Annual Dinner/Auction, in support of the Community Improvement and Beautification Projects in the Village of Kinmount. Saturday, April 30, 2005, Galway Hall. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 7:00 p.m. Live Auction, Silent Auction, Country Raffle. For tickets or information call 488-2687 or 488-2635.

Events listings are provided **FREE** for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavor to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Times at 286-4768, emailed to editor@mindentimes.on.ca., or brought in to the office. **NOTE:** This calendar is **NOT A COMPREHENSIVE LISTING OF ALL EVENTS** taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in The Times for more information on events and in the Highlands.

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Our family would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their love and support that they have given us since the death of our son and brother. We would like to apologize in advance for anyone we may miss.

We were overwhelmed by the amount of people who came to the funeral home to grieve with us, give their support and to say goodbye to Denis. So many have cried with us, sent flowers, cards, letters, donations, money and food along with endless offers of help. Thank you to Carl Northey and his partner and to Doug Schell. Although you couldn't do anything that morning to help Denis, you did so much to help us. You did your job but did so much more.

To our family and friends who have proven once again that we can count on them to be there for us whenever we have needed them, To Kelly who was able to step in and take over all that needed to be done and continues to be by our side whenever we need her. To Denis' grandmother who gave him unconditional love and friendship and for all her help both before and after. To his grandfather Gary and Buela who drove from Kentucky to help us through this terrible time. To his grandparents Mae and Bernard, his aunts and uncles, Jim and Janice, Kelly and Peter, Robin and Ed, John and Diane, his Godparents Sue and Kevin and his many cousins for all your love and help. To Jimmy Abbott who even at the worst times could bring a smile and laughter to Denis' and our faces. To Gary and Jackie who helped out immensely and were a constant presence, your friendship means more now than ever. To Kim Bagshaw and all her family for all they have done and to Shane for being a true friend. To Dr. Ferracuti for all he has done and continues to do. To Father Tony for his service and to Derek and Lindsay for their poems and to the pall-bearers. To Barry and Kirsten and staff from Gord Monk Funeral Home, you did everything we wanted in a professional but caring manner. To the ladies of Our Lady of Fatima for the wonderful lunch after the service. Thank you to anyone who could look and always see the real Denis, the best son, brother and friend. We have appreciated all that everyone has done and continues to do. We have lost so much with the death of our son and brother. We struggle everyday, if love could have saved him he never would have died. We have to console ourselves by knowing that he is at peace.

Thank you again.

Cathy, Dan and Daryl Arbour.

VELMA STEVENSON AND FAMILY wishes to give their thanks to each and everyone who helped us through the tough times of the death of Judy Stevenson. We appreciate all the food, money, cards, and phone calls. We wish to extend a special thanks to all the women who helped to organize our home and affairs. We are very grateful to Gord Monk and all his staff, as they could not have been any better to us. We would also like to apologize to Paul Upton nephew of Judy and special friend Brenda Wilcox as they were excluded from Judy's obituary.

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460 OBITUARIES

HOWARD LAVERNE GROSHAW

Passed away at Extendicare Nursing Home, Haliburton
March 21, 2005
in his 81st year.

Dear father of Donna (Glen) Barry of Stoney Creek and Dennis (Dianne) Groshaw of Kelowna, B.C. Loving grandfather of Tanya (Mike) Bell, Jan (Michelle) Groshaw, Susanne (Mitch) Boutaud, Michelle (Jeff) Chrysler and Jason Barry and survived by 9 great grandchildren. Loving companion of Leta Mott. Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Main St., Minden on Saturday, April 2, 2005 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Funeral Service in the Chapel at 1:00 p.m. Reception to follow in the family centre. Spring interment at Twelve Mile Lake Cemetery. Memorial Donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family.

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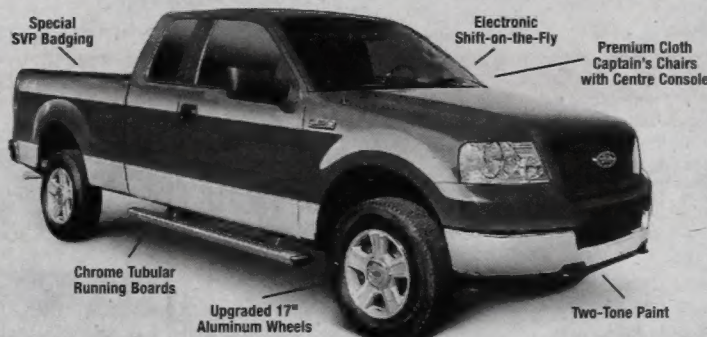
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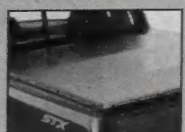
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Little Kennisis - Custom Built - Viceroy Style

Very private property on Little Kennisis. 2 lk chain. Deep water off the dock. Enjoy fun times on the lg deck at the waters edge. Enjoy this 3 BR cottage 4 seasons. Kitchen/DR finished in pine along w/pine cathedral ceiling & walls in the lg LR. Lg deck, cedar siding, block foundation.

\$285,000



Brady Lake

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Cozy 3 bdrm cottage, south western exposure, level lot, easy access, sandy swimming area with some rock shore. Deep water off dock. Screened porch. Suitable for summer or winter fun.

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\$539,000



Little Redstone - Square Timber Cottage

2900 sq ft of living space in this log home or cottage situated on the sandy shore of Little Redstone. 6 BR's, 3 baths, hot tub room, living room w/cozy f/p, separate DR & kitchen. Dbl garage & breezeway. Lg deck across the front. Level, well treed lot w/290' frntg of sandy shoreline. SW exp.

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See this great building lot. Several building sites offering spectacular views of Kennisis Lk. Absolute privacy on this 8 acre property. 800' shoreline varies w/flat rock, sand pockets, larger rock sections & a point. Sheltered section for boat protection. Sunsets come across the point & set on the opposite shore. This rare large property is being offered at \$575,000



Private Lake - 129 Acres, Haliburton Highlands

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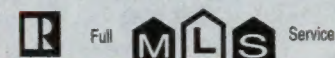
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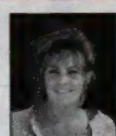


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